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## RADM(sel) Michael Loose Assumes Command of NAVFAC Former Vice Commander Returns Home

WASHINGTON NAVY YARD, D.C. – Rear Adm. Michael K. Loose, Civil Engineer Corps, USN, assumed command of the Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) and became the 40th Chief of Civil Engineers in a ceremony here Oct. 24.

Loose relieved Rear Adm. Michael R. Johnson, Civil Engineer Corps, USN, who had been in command of NAVFAC since October 2000. Rear Adm. Johnson, who departs the Navy after 34 years of military service, was retired by the Chief of Naval Operations Admiral Vern Clark, USN.

Loose, 49, and a native of Albuquerque, N.M., comes to NAVFAC from Norfolk, Va., where he served as Commander, NAVFAC Atlantic Division, and Fleet Civil Engineer, Commander, U.S. Atlantic Fleet. As NAVFAC commander, Loose now becomes the Navy's senior ashore representative to the professional engineering community and construction industry.

Rear Adm. Loose's other assignments have included Vice Commander, NAVFAC; Commanding Officer, Navy Public Works Center, Pearl Harbor and the Commander Navy Region Hawaii Program Manager for Regional Facilities, Environmental, Safety and Passenger Transportation; Facilities Officer, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet; Commanding Officer, U.S. Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 40; Head, Base Operations Support Policy, Program, and



The new Commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, and Chief of Civil Engineers, Rear Adm. (sel) Michael K. Loose.

Budget Branch for the Chief of Naval Operations. Loose is a Seabee Combat Warfare Officer and a Professional Civil Engineer in the state of California.

During the ceremony, Adm. Vern Clark awarded Rear Adm. Johnson the Distinguished Service Medal—the Navy's highest peacetime award—for his efforts in leading 13,300 personnel in 22 subordinate commands and activities responsible for executing \$9 billion of global work.

Under his command from October 2000 to October 2003, Johnson achieved a number of innovative and cost-cutting projects in support of the Navy and Marine Corps combat mission. For example, he directed the establishment of a new First Naval Construction Division and Naval Construction Forces Command structure by merging two Seabee brigades of 18,000 that provides a single command interface for Seabee operations worldwide.

Johnson also established a Community Management Program blueprint to define, shape and train an engineering workforce that improved recruitment, retention and career development in the highly competitive

technical sector. He also headed the Navy's Military Construction, supervising the design and construction of naval shore facilities throughout the world and achieved an execution rate of 98 percent for FY02, up 25 percent in project workload over the previous fiscal year.

On his watch, Johnson ensured that Navy families were able to live in safe, adequate, high-quality and affordable housing at low cost to the American taxpayers. This housing program, called Public-Private Venture Housing or "PPVs," is the Navy's first choice for solving what has been a long-term housing renovation and replacement problem. As a result of his vision, eight Public-Private Venture Family Housing projects were executed in which 8,985 homes were privatized. Due to Johnson's leadership, the Department of the Navy realized \$1.1 billion in initial construction for a government investment of only \$143 million. This amount bought more than four times as many homes as NAVFAC would have been able to address utilizing traditional methods, with quality that surpasses traditional military construction.

Johnson is qualified as a Seabee Combat Warfare Officer, is registered as a Professional Engineer in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and is the current national president and Fellow in the Society of American Military Engineers.



The Chief of Naval Operations, Adm. Vern Clark, congratulates Rear Adm. Michael Johnson on a successful Naval career. Rear Adm. Christopher Weaver, Commander Navy Installations, looks on.

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## Legion of Merit

**CAPT William J. Beary**, CEC, USN, July 2001 to July 2003 as Assistant Commander for Public Works, NAVFAC, Washington, D.C. Provided inspirational leadership and established the highest standards of excellence while masterfully guiding the advancement of a comprehensive, metric-based business plan to standardize business operations among nine separate PWCs with a collective annual business volume of \$1.6 billion. Drove the development of a single-platform work management system, improved financial management business practices resulting in a 31 percent reduction in unallocated costs, and implementation of a community management plan for a workforce of 5,000 PWC personnel. Led extensive efforts to improve the delivery and execution of \$1 billion in annual facility support contracts through employment of "cutting edge" management theory, leveraging of electronic resources and implementation of global performance metrics. Spearheaded the transition of more than 9,600 vehicles to the General Services Administration lease program, reducing Navy costs in excess of \$15 million annually.

## Meritorious Service Medal

**CAPT Diann K. Lynn**, CEC, USN, May 2000 to April 2003 as Business Manager and Chief Knowledge Officer, Navy Region Hawaii. Initiated vibrant programs solidifying regionalization in Hawaii. Created the Region's Strategic Plan, which united

the Region into one multi-program organization. Implemented Activity-Based Costing, the first of its kind in the U.S. Navy, which is an advanced cost-management tool that proved invaluable in executing sound business decisions with competing demands. Established the Region's Strategic Sourcing Program that saved 160 full-time equivalent positions and \$8 million. Served as a volunteer for the National Parks Service utilizing her Navy diving skills in monitoring environmental issues for the Arizona Memorial.

**CAPT Daniel K. Stephenson**, CEC, USNR, October 2000 to September 2003 as Regional Engineer, Naval Reserve Readiness Command Northeast, Newport, R.I. Guided a diverse group of engineers, architects and contract specialists in providing timely facilities support to the Readiness Command, resulting in more than \$25 million in facility improvements. Played a key role in the Commander, Naval Reserve Force, 50 State Review, which included planning and directing the review of all reserve centers within the area of responsibility and rapidly developing a plan to improve efficiency and anti-terrorism and force protection posture.

## Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal

**LT Roberto M. Alvarado**, CEC, USN, September 2001 to June 2003 as Assistant Public Works Officer, Naval Support Activity, New

# Awards

Orleans. Demonstrated relentless resolve and initiative in the daily execution of an \$18 million annual facilities program, supporting two naval stations and more than 100 tenant commands. Selected to lead the Public Works Performance Work Statement Team, he masterfully laid the foundation for the future of Public Works.

**LT Ahmed Ferguson**, CEC, USN, September 2001 to August 2003 as Public Works Operations Officer, PWC Jacksonville. Spearheaded several public works functions required to enhance warfighter readiness, which resulted in the completion of more than \$16.2 million in project packages while effecting a 50 percent reduction in backlog and implementing new acquisition tools that greatly improved execution timelines. His responsiveness enabled NAS JAX to

award key contracts at fiscal year end to improve quality of service and expand operational capability. Expertly pursued the timely completion of several high-profile projects, including the relocation of Commander, Navy Region Southeast Headquarters, renovation of flag quarters, repairs to the pool complex and installation of more than \$1 million of furniture to support the NAS JAX quality of service consolidation initiative.

**LT Michael A. Thornton**, CEC, USN, June 2001 to August 2003 as Diving Operations Officer, Naval Facilities Engineering Service Center, Port Hueneme. Headed a multi-disciplined team in the successful design and execution of more than \$10 million of complex ocean technology projects exemplified by the installation of critical Anti-Terrorism and Force Protection port security barriers.

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## APC Selects New Members

Twenty-nine CEC Lieutenant Commanders were recently selected to join the Acquisition Professional Community (APC) by the September selection board. The APC is the Navy's Acquisition Corps. These officers will now have an additional qualification designator of acquisition professional management.

C.G. Adams	E.J. Hawn	J.H. Neal
M.L. Aguayo	R.D. Hayes	K.L. Roye
M.W. Armes	R.J. Keiter	R.V. Seignious
K.J. Bartoe	M. Lewis	J.J. Shoemaker
C.Y. Buziak	P.S. Lodge	J.T. Stone
B.D. Ciaravino	S.D. Loeschke	D.P. Turner
C.M. Collins	J.E. Merriman	P.J. Vandenberg
T.J. Dewitt	R.M. Moore	G.G. Vinci
P.A. Garin	J.A. Murphy	C.D. Witta
W.M. Halsey	D.D. Naiser	

## CEC Transfers

LCDR Maria L. Aguayo to Legislative Fellows Program  
LT Gregorio D. Bergado to Commander, Fleet Activities  
Chinhae, Korea  
LT Leonard E. Marshall to Post Graduate School, Monterey,  
Calif.  
LTJG Jeffrey T. Dupart to PWC Great Lakes  
LTJG Christopher H. Lankford to CBU 412, Kings Bay, Ga.  
LTJG Steven A. Pylypiak to ROICC Keflavik, Iceland  
ENS Lakisha M. Brown to ROICC Camp Lejeune  
ENS Antoine B. Crite to ROICC Guantanamo Bay, Cuba  
ENS Gregory J. Woods to Student, Defense Language  
Institute, Monterey, Calif.  
CWO2 Steven J. Hind to CBU 420, Mayport, Fla.

## USEFUL LINKS

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- **SEABEES**
- **NCTC-PORT HUENEME**
- **NCTC-GULFPORT**
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- **SELECTION BOARDS**
- **CECOS**
- **NFACT**
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- **RECRUITING**
- **TRICARE**
- **MWR**

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## CEC List Service Update

The new home page for all CEC list services (Active, Reserve and Retired) is the secure site located at <https://www.navfac.navy.mil/cec-list/>. Please update your Favorites to the new URL and use this page in the future to update your address, e-mail and phone numbers. Please visit the site to familiarize yourself with its functionality, and while there, complete or update your profile. Exciting changes are on the way and will be made available in conjunction with the NAVFAC Internet/intranet Rework (iIR) project. Thanks for your patience in this transition time. For questions regarding the service, please e-mail [navfaceclistservice@navfac.navy.mil](mailto:navfaceclistservice@navfac.navy.mil).

Note: If you are unable to access your old e-mail address, please send a message to [navfaceclistservice@navfac.navy.mil](mailto:navfaceclistservice@navfac.navy.mil) and we will input your current address for you and send you a profile update link.

CEC List Service Address Changes: Active Duty, Reserve and Retired postal address, e-mail, and phone numbers should be updated on the secure CEC List Service site at <https://www.navfac.navy.mil/cec-list/>. Questions or concerns about the service should be sent to [navfaceclistservice@navfac.navy.mil](mailto:navfaceclistservice@navfac.navy.mil).

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